AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

The following is a detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the Application.

Claims 1-38. (Canceled)

39. (Currently amended)   A computer-implemented method for processing information related to multimedia consumption, the method comprising:

collecting information about consumption of multimedia content, the collected information identifying a ~~first~~ user action related to consumption of content in a multimedia program that is identified by a program identifier; and

storing a usage history including a user action list that ~~lists user actions and~~ includes a ~~first~~ user action item corresponding to the ~~first~~ user action, the ~~first~~ user action item including the program identifier and a reference ~~identifier identifying~~ to a content description that is related to the multimedia program and is separate from the user action list ~~and specifies a genre of the multimedia program~~.

40. (Canceled)

41. (Currently amended)   The method of claim [[40]] 39, wherein the program identifier includes a title of the multimedia program.

42. (Currently amended)   The method of claim 39, wherein the ~~first~~ user action item specifies an action time identifying a time of occurrence for the ~~first~~ user action.

43. (Previously presented)   The method of claim 39, wherein the usage history specifies an observation period defining a time period for recording multimedia consumption.

44. (Currently amended)   The method of claim 39, wherein the reference <u>to the content description</u> includes ~~identifier defines~~ a link to the content description.

45. (Previously presented)   The method of claim 44, wherein the link includes a URL.

46. (Previously presented)   The method of claim 39, wherein the content description specifies an actor of the multimedia program.

47. (Previously presented)   The method of claim 39, wherein the content description specifies a director of the multimedia program.

48. (Currently amended)   A system for processing information related to multimedia consumption, the system comprising:

a data storage device; and

data processing apparatus configured to perform operations comprising:

collecting information about consumption of multimedia content, the collected information identifying a ~~first~~ user action related to consumption of content in a multimedia program<u> that is identified by a program identifier</u>; and

storing a usage history in the data storage device, the usage history including a user action list that ~~lists user actions and~~ includes a ~~first~~ user action item corresponding to the ~~first~~ user action, the ~~first~~ user action item including <u>the program identifier and </u>a reference ~~identifier identifying~~ <u>to </u>a content description that<u> is related to the multimedia program and</u> is separate from the user action list ~~and specifies a genre of the multimedia program~~.

49. (Canceled)

50. (Currently amended)   The system of claim 48, wherein the ~~first~~ user action item specifies an action time identifying a time of occurrence for the ~~first~~ user action.

51. (Previously presented)   The system of claim 48, wherein the usage history specifies an observation period defining a time period for recording multimedia consumption.

52. (Currently amended)   The system of claim 48, wherein the reference <u>to the content description includes</u> ~~identifier defines~~ a link to the content description.

53. (Currently amended)   The system of claim 52, wherein the ~~defined~~ link includes a URL.

54. (Currently amended)   A computer program product for processing information related to multimedia consumption, the computer program comprising instructions to cause data processing apparatus to perform operations comprising:

collecting information about consumption of multimedia content, the collected information identifying a ~~first~~ user action related to consumption of content in a multimedia program<u> that is identified by a program identifier</u>; and

storing a usage history including a user action list that ~~lists user actions and~~ includes a ~~first~~ user action item corresponding to the ~~first~~ user action, the ~~first~~ user action item including <u>the program identifier and </u>a reference ~~identifier identifying~~ <u>to </u>a content description that is <u>related to the multimedia program and is </u>separate from the user action list ~~and specifies a genre for the multimedia program~~.

55. (Canceled)

56. (Currently amended)   The computer program product of claim 54, wherein the ~~first~~ user action item specifies an action time identifying a time of occurrence for the ~~first~~ user action.

57. (Previously presented)   The computer program product of claim 54, wherein the usage history specifies an observation period defining a time period for recording multimedia consumption.

58. (Currently amended)   The computer program product of claim 54, wherein the reference <u>to the content description includes</u> ~~identifier defines~~ a link to the content description.

59. (New)   The method of claim 39, further comprising:
using the usage history to generate user preference information including a user preference item and a preference value corresponding to the user preference item.

60. (New)   The method of claim 59, further comprising:
updating the user preference information based on the usage history.

61. (New)   The method of claim 59, wherein the user preference item corresponds to at least a portion of the content description, and using the usage history to generate the user preference information includes using the reference to the content description.

62. (New)   The system of claim 48, wherein the data processing apparatus is further configured to perform operations comprising:
using the usage history to generate user preference information including a user

preference item and a preference value corresponding to the user preference item; and

updating the user preference information based on the usage history.

63. (New)   The computer program product of claim 54, further comprising instructions to cause data processing apparatus to perform operations comprising:

using the usage history to generate user preference information including a user preference item and a preference value corresponding to the user preference item; and

updating the user preference information based on the usage history.

64. (New)   A computer-implemented method for processing information related to multimedia consumption, the method comprising:

collecting information identifying a user action related to consumption of content in a multimedia program having a program identifier;

storing a usage history including a user action list that lists at least the user action and includes the program identifier, a corresponding user action time, and a reference to a related content description that is separate from the user action list;

using the usage history to generate user preference information including a user preference item and a corresponding preference value; and

updating the user preference information based on the usage history.

65. (New)   The method of claim 64, wherein the program identifier includes a title of the multimedia program.

66. (New)   The method of claim 64, wherein the reference to the related content description includes a link to the related content description.

67. (New)   The method of claim 66, wherein the link includes a URL.